

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ICAR Data Centre

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has launched an ICAR data centre connecting 274 specialized institutions and universities which will act as an information hub for the farm sector and eventually link the rural population with high speed internet connectivity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the centre will cater to research institutions by providing consultancy, project management, use of modern technology, better market platform, training and other value added services to the farmers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

- (a) Yes, ICAR Data centre has been established to provide email and web hosting services to ICAR and its 109 Institutes/Universities and their regional Centers, 89 AICRPs/ Network projects and their centers, and Krishi Vigyan Kendras (Annexure- I).
- (b) As on date about 15000 email ids of Scientists, Technical and Administrative personnel have been created and more than 45 Websites/ Portals/ Decisions Support Systems (DSSs)/ e-governance applications have been hosted through the Data Centre.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) ICAR-IASRI Institute is already providing consultancy, training and other value added IT services including project management. This data centre will further assist in implementing modern technology IT platforms and services to farming community.
